

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1795 - SB 1965

February 14, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a student in grades 7 through 12 from being assigned to an alternative school or alternative program, that is located on the same school grounds from where the student was suspended, if the suspension or expulsion was for an offense of violence, threatened violence, or threatening the safety of students attending the regular school program from where the student was suspended or expelled.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-3402 students in grades 7 through 12 who have been suspended or expelled from the regular school program must be assigned to an alternative school or alternative program.
- The proposed legislation does not require schools to find alternate locations for some of their students in grades 7 through 12 who have been suspended or expelled and who are ineligible from attending an alternative school or program located on school grounds.
- Local education agencies (LEAs) will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources.
- LEAs will be able to amend their policies in accordance with the provisions of this legislation during the normal course of business; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- No change to the Basic Education Program.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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